

REQUIREMENTS FOR
PHYSICAL EDUCATION, K-12 ENDORSEMENT

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – CERTIFICATION UNIT

➤ **Physical Education Endorsement**

The endorsement shall be automatically renewed with the certificate on which it is posted.

Requirements for the Physical Education endorsement are:

1. Completed [Application for Endorsement](#)
2. Appropriate fee (see Application for Endorsement).
3. One of the following:
 - A. A photocopy of your valid Arizona **IVP** fingerprint card (plastic) issued on or after January 1, 2008.
 - OR -
 - B. A photocopy of your valid Arizona fingerprint clearance card (plastic) issued prior to January 1, 2008.

NOTE: Effective January 1, 2008, per Arizona State Statute A.R.S. § 15-106, an applicant who applies for a teaching certificate shall submit an **Identity Verified Prints (IVP)** Fingerprint card. "Non-IVP" Arizona fingerprint clearance cards issued on or after January 1, 2008 will **NOT** be accepted.

4. A valid Arizona Elementary, Secondary or Special Education certificate.
5. Thirty (30) semester hours of courses to include:
 - A. One course in the methods of teaching Physical Education at the elementary level.
 - B. One course in the methods of teaching Physical Education at the secondary level.
 - C. One of the following:
 1. Twenty-four (24) semester hours of courses in the Physical Education content area.
 2. A passing score on the Subject Knowledge Physical Education portion of the Arizona Educator Exam ([NES or AEPA](#)).
 3. A passing score on a comparable Subject Knowledge Physical Education examination from another state or agency.
 - All score reports must have the word "Passed" on it.
 - Test scores older than 10 years **WILL NOT** be accepted
 - Submit the original score report at time of application.
 4. A valid comparable certificate from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Submit a notarized copy of the certificate.
 5. Master's degree from an accredited institution in Physical Education.